



Pipeline Safety Fact Sheet: Arizona

The federal government establishes minimum pipeline safety standards (under Title 49 CFR Part 190 – 199) and has overall regulatory responsibility for all hazardous liquid and gas pipelines in the United States. Pipelines are regulated by the Office of Pipeline Safety, within the Research and Special Programs Administration of the Department of Transportation. Pertinent regulations can be found at <http://ops.dot.gov/>.

The Office of Pipeline Safety (OPS) is headquartered in Washington, DC, and supported through five regional offices located in Atlanta, Denver, Houston, Kansas City and Washington, DC. OPS Regional Directors, Pipeline Inspectors, State Liaisons, and Community Assistance and Technical Services (CATS) managers operate from each of the five OPS regional offices.

CATS managers are available to assist the public, the media and state or local officials with inquiries concerning pipeline safety-related issues.

OPS regulates and enforces interstate gas and liquid pipeline safety requirements in Arizona.

As an Interstate Agent of OPS, the Arizona Corporation Commission inspects interstate gas and liquid systems on behalf of OPS and has full responsibility (regulation, inspection and enforcement) for intrastate gas and liquid systems consistent with minimum federal standards. This work is performed by the Pipeline Safety Section, Gas Services Division of the Arizona Corporation Commission.

Arizona state regulations can be found at: <http://www.cc.state.az.us/safety/index.htm>

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